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\$6.00 per box was the price paid last year in Portland, Oregon for the famous

Stark Delicious Apple

"The apple with a known past, a great present and a greater future"

—and, to meet the ever-increasing demand for this phenomenal variety, we have grown this year—

1,250,000 trees and still we believe we are short,—believe we could as easily sell 2 1-4 million as we will sell the million and a quarter.

The U. S. Pomologist, COL. G. B. BRACKETT, says:

"I am glad you are making an extra effort to disseminate Delicious apple. I have always told you I considered it the best of all the varieties you have introduced."

Do you know the Stark Delicious?

If not, read every word of this advertisement, think over each point carefully and then—order today, for just as surely as you expect your orchard to earn back the dollars invested in it, or to please your own palate, just as surely will it be a back number and fail to meet the popular demand if it is not liberally planted with this ideal apple. This is what we can claim and can prove for Delicious.

First—That it is the best of all fine apples—flavor, coloring, size and all else considered.

Second—That it is absolutely hardy—prospering in those regions where only the hardiest of apple will grow.

Third—That it is a remarkably healthy, vigorous, aphid-resistant, strong-growing tree—a young and prolific bearer.

Fourth—That it always commands from 25 per cent to 50 per cent more, on all markets, than other varieties.

These are strong statements but they are justified by facts. They call for proof—and here it is.

A BRIEF HISTORY.

Delicious was introduced by us more than 13 years ago. It was originated by the late Mr. Jesse Hiatt of Madison County, Iowa—a veteran fruit grower, who, when selling it to us in 1895 wrote as follows: "I am nearly 70 years old and



Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hiatt. Taken about 1888.

have raised apples all my life and would not willingly over-state Delicious for 40 such varieties, but if it is not a better apple than any in your large list, it will cost you nothing. I have never seen a man taste it but who says it is the best apple he ever saw. It hangs on the tree as well as Ben Davis, keeps as well, is a good shipper (bruises, instead of decay-

ing, dry up like Ben Davis) is as large, of finer color, as strong a grower, hardier, bears as young and every year. Once introduced there will be but little call for Jonathan." Concerning the original tree of Delicious Mr. Hiatt said: "The original tree of Delicious is now about 15 years old and is 13 inches in diameter at ground. Makes strong, vigorous growth, similar to Winesap, except branches are strong and need little or no pruning. Both tree and fruit are perfect models. The tree is strong, has finely molded limbs which are adapted to bearing great weights of fruits. Does not sprout or sucker. Does not succumb to blight. Has never shown any signs of tenderness. During the last 8 years, drouth and cold have killed three-fifth of my orchard, but Delicious withstood it. Bears annually, yields large quantity of luscious fruit, both beautiful and delicious. Praised by all who have tasted it. Has a peculiar quality that cannot be surpassed nor described, and a delicious fragrance. Brilliant dark red, often mingled with gold near blossom end. Splendid winter keeper, equal to Ben Davis. All declare it to be the best apple in the world."

COULD A STRONGER ENDORSEMENT BE WRITTEN?

(Note the wide range of country covered by these letters.)

Hon. Parker Earle, Ex-President *American Horticultural Society*.

"Delicious is a noble apple, different from any other I have ever seen. It can be eaten by people with delicate stomachs and seems better and better the longer one eats. It has the most delicate flesh texture I have ever seen in an apple and can be eaten with delight by thousands who can-not eat common apples."

Prof. H. E. Van Deman, *Ex-U. S. Pomologist*.

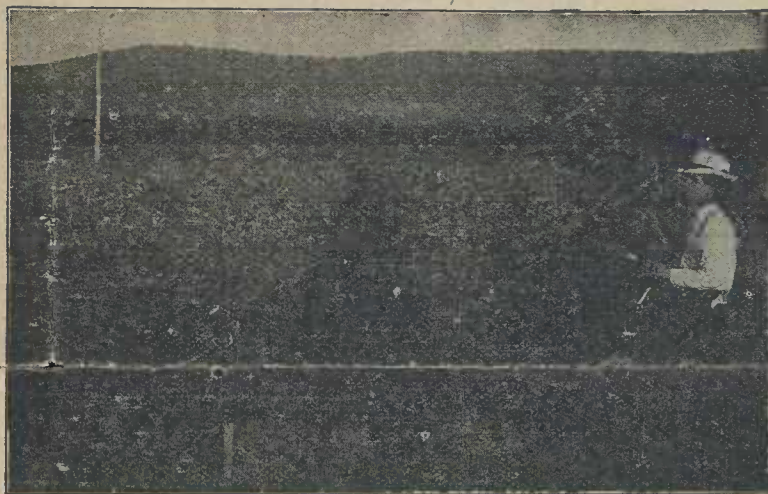
"Saw some glorious apples in our Washington, D. C. market recently and among them were Delicious bringing the highest price of all."

R. G. Dougall, Chelan Co., Wash.

"Delicious is worth more on the market today than any other variety."

Frank Femmons, Madera Co., Cal. *A close student of the apple says:*

"This year one of the severest I have ever known Delicious has proven its superiority. A fair crop on all the trees with thermometer at 26 at blooming time." Many other varieties in his orchard were a complete failure, some trees that had not failed before for 12 years.



Nursery block of 1-year Delicious trees.

J. M. Zion, Tippecanoe Co., Ind., says:

"In the great freeze last year, when buds of all other varieties were nearly all killed, Delicious suffered little, if any injury." Claims it to be almost ice proof.

D. Hay & Son, Auckland, N. Z.

"Coming more into favor here than ever; absolutely free from woolly aphid. New Zealanders will look upon Stark Bro's as public benefactors in introducing such valuable apples."

G. W. Endicott, Pulaski Co., Ill.

"Delicious almost exempt from leaf scab."

H. Woods & Co., Wholesale Fruits, Chicago.

"Have seen a great many varieties, but do not hesitate to say that Delicious is all that its name implies. A finer flavored apple we have never seen."

Complimentary Specimens of Stark Delicious Apple.

We have one more proof to give you—samples of the apples and to accommodate every request, we have 3 car loads (90,000 pounds) of this fruit en route from Stark orchards in the famous valleys of Wenatchee, Wash., and Hood River, Ore. These samples, (3 large apples in a box), will be sent absolutely without charge for the fruit. The box will be sent by express, carriage charges to be paid by receiver. Express is usually 25 to 40 cents. Keep the receipt you get from the express company and we will accept it as that much cash on the first order of trees you send in. In this way the apples cost you nothing. Fill out and send us today the coupon below.

As per your free sample offer, please send me box containing 3 large samples of Delicious, without expense to me except transportation charges which I will pay and which you are to refund to me on the first order for stock (with express receipt attached to it) I send you.

Name.....

Post Office.....County.....

State.....By which express shall we ship?.....

I expect to plant.....acres to fruit trees about.....

and would like to receive your latest catalog and other literature.

Write today for our Fruit Book. It contains much valuable information and will be sent free. Every planter should have it. Address

Stark Brothers Nurseries & Orchards Company
Lock Box Number 10 B
Louisiana Missouri U. S. A.

THE TWO GREAT The Stark Delicious and

The Wizard of Horticulture, Luther Burbank, in writing us of the Stark Delicious Apple, says: "It is the best in quality of any apple which I have so far tested."

READ HIS LETTER IN FULL --- HERE IT IS.

Santa Rosa, Calif., December 12, 1908.
"I wish to report to you on some of the apples of which you sent me grafts a few years ago. The 'Delicious' is correctly named. It is the best in quality of any apple that I have so far tested. The 'Chicago' also is a wonderful apple; we hardly appreciated it until the trees came into abundant bearing. The apple is good and fresh as desert fruit and is superior for cooking; the tree is an abundant and regular bearer here; the fruit is very fine, large, high colored and handsome, and without a blemish. You also sent me 'Jonathan' and 'Black Ben Davis' but of these I do not care so much for our climate here, but the two above named apples, the 'Delicious' and 'Chicago' are gems." LUTHER BURBANK.

In the November and December issues of this paper we have devoted full pages to give planters a testimonial record of this famous quality apple, yet of all the strong letters we have received we consider this one of Luther Burbank's the strongest of them all because he lives with fruit—studies it—*knows* it—it is his world.

Take this letter and add to it the evidence already submitted as to the market topping record of Delicious (selling at 50% more than Jonathan and Grimes Golden in Chicago and elsewhere); its record for adaptability, vigor of tree and strength of limb, hardiness, young and prolific bearing, and without doubt or question it forms the strongest record of any apple ever put before the tree-planting public. Look up the November and December issues of the Fruit Grower; read the subject matter in our full page advertisements and then ask yourself this question: "Can I afford to overlook an apple making such a record?" If you will answer that question honestly, it will read like this: "No, I must plant Stark Delicious." Follow the promptings of your better judgment by ordering Stark Delicious trees at once for spring planting. Refuse Delicious trees offered by other nurserymen—they are counterfeits. We have the only genuine trees because it is one of our trade marked sorts.

HAVE YOU RECEIVED COMPLIMENTARY SPECIMENS OF THE STARK DELICIOUS APPLE?

If not, fill out and send us today the coupon below. No charge of any kind is made for the fruit; we simply ask you to pay express charges and these we will refund on the first order of trees you send us, providing you attach express receipt to your order. Over 1000 packages of these specimen apples were sent out in November and December. Send in your coupon at once before the supply is exhausted. This offer is also good for other varieties such as Black Ben, Senator, Champion, Stayman Winesap, etc., as long as they last.

"THE APPLE—STARK DELICIOUS"

is the title of a new booklet which will be ready to mail January 5th and which will be the finest book of its kind ever published. Delicious and King David are shown on the covers in their natural colors—beautiful. The inside pages comprise a complete testimonial history of Delicious—its record as told by orchardists in all parts of the country and which will prove of vital interest to those seeking the best. In addition to Delicious, this book treats on King David, Stayman Winesap, Senator, Champion, Black Ben and Giant Jonathon apples; also eleven varieties of grape, such as Eclipse, Sunrise, the wonderful new Stark King Philip, Lutie, Diamond, Niagara, Banner, etc., Privet Hedges, Norway Maple, etc. Every orchardist in the country should have this book whether he is planting commercially or for home use. Every variety in this book is the best of its class—the kind that will satisfy and earn the greatest revenue. Send for it today. It is wholly different from other books.

As per your free sample offer, please send me box containing 3 samples of the Delicious apple without expense to me except transportation charges which I will pay and which you are to refund to me on the first order for stock (with express receipt attached to it) I send you.

Name.....
Post Office.....County.....
State.....Express Office.....
By which express shall we ship?.....
I expect to plant.....fruit trees about.....190...
and would like to receive your booklet—"The Apple—Stark Delicious." 1909.

Have you a copy of the Stark Fruit Book? If not, write for it. It will be sent free and you really can't afford to be without it as it contains much valuable information.

STARK BROTHERS NURSERIES

LOCK BOX NUMBER 10 D

ANOTHER STRONG ENDORSEMENT OF DELICIOUS.

My Dear Sirs—

The only mistake I made in planting your good Delicious apple was in not planting at least 1,000 trees. They are better than you ever claimed them to be, the very finest eating apple that man or woman ever tasted. Everyone who has had the privilege of eating one has invariably wanted more. I could have sold 1000 boxes of them this year at or above fancy prices and I don't believe the market will ever be overstocked with your leader of the world—Delicious. My trees when planted were 1-yr. budded, about 2 ft. tall and for the past three years all have borne fruit and all true to name.

In the past 33 years I planted for myself, 10,000 apple trees of which number 3,000 were Stark Trees and in every instance all have come true to name and not one tree grew fruit I did not order. As to Delicious, there is none better that grows. It is simply perfect. The tree is a splendid grower, very fine wood and shapely head. At this time, (December 10, '08), the tree has much of its foliage still hanging while all others in my orchard are entirely defoliated.

Truly yours,
Henry C. Cupp, First President, Apple Growers' Congress.

and well known nursery errors which are so disastrous to buyers. Developing and perfecting our propagating system has taken years, but we are now rewarded by the knowledge that our stock, grades and varieties are absolutely dependable. Special attention has been given to propagating from selected and proven strains of bearing trees.



A Basket of Prize-Winning Stark Delicious Apples

LOUISIANA, MO. General office headquarters and home nurseries.
STARKDALE, MO. Ideal soil. Millions of trees have been produced here.
ROCKPORT, ILL. Near our Louisiana headquarters and where we have several millions of the finest trees growing.
MARIONVILLE, MO. In the famous Ozark county where general conditions are peculiarly favorable for producing hardy, well-rooted fruit trees. We have here over one million 1-yr., apple, the ideal tree for western planters.
FAYETTEVILLE, ARK. We have here magnificent blocks of pear, grape, small fruits, etc.—with two and one-half million 1-yr. apple, chiefly the popular western sorts such as Delicious, Black Ben, King David, Stayman Winesap, Rome Beauty, Banana, McIntosh, Liveland Raspberry, Henry Clay, Wilson June, Jonathan, Winesap, Spitzenburg, Newtown, Grimes Golden, Senator, etc.
ROLLA, MO. Large experimental orchards, where we secure scions and buds.
PERRY, OHIO. Along Lake Erie, an ideal soil for peach, pear, cherry, gooseberry, apricot, and small fruits. Our peach nursery here is most beautiful.
DANSVILLE, N. Y. In the Genesee Valley; here we have pear, cherry, plum, ornamentals, Norway Maple, etc. The finest nursery farm and the largest plant in New York State.
PORTLAND, N. Y. In the very heart of the Chautauqua Grape district. We are producing grape vines by the millions, also gooseberry, currant, etc.

THE STARK IDEA

Many years of experience has taught us that no one locality will produce all kinds and classes of stock best and since we are convinced more and more each year of the importance of producing all stock we sell, we have nine nurseries in five states; growing at each one only such stock as is best adapted to the soil, climate and general conditions. This means much to the planter, for in this way we have reduced to the minimum, the chance of the usual

QUALITY LEADERS the Stark King David Apples

The only apple qualified to rank with Delicious is Stark King David. It is an apple of genuine merit and its quality is undenied by those who have seen and tasted it. Those who are most enthusiastic about Delicious are equally strong in their praise of King David. Colonel G. B. Brackett, U. S. Pomologist says: "It is my ideal apple" and Col. Brackett *knows* good fruit. In the west—in Washington and Oregon, where fruit growing is a science, King David is being planted very largely by orchardists who are known for their foresight and ability to anticipate the public demand in quality fruit. We urge orchardists everywhere not to plant inferior varieties, but to plant only the best of the very best. Such varieties as the old Ben Davis, Gano, Missouri Pippin, etc., are varieties of the past and no longer to be planted or thought of by the man who is guarding his investment. We are no longer propagating these and other out of date sorts but are concentrating our efforts on varieties such as Delicious, King David and others of recognized merit and that can be planted with profit. You simply can't go wrong on Delicious and King David. Make them the basis of your orchard. Top work the inferior varieties or pull the trees out. You will be surprised at the greater earning capacity of your orchard planted with these better sorts. Delicious and King David have another *great big* point in their favor; they have a fine, vigorous, frost-resisting bloom and thus are in full bearing when these inferior varieties fail utterly.

"In some particulars King David, I think, is a much finer apple than Delicious, in fact when prime it surpasses anything I know for texture, flavor, and appearance. Put your teeth in a King David and the sensation is like old wine, penetrating your entire system."—T. H. Atkinson, Entist, Washington.

STOCK FOR SPRING 1909

From these several branch nurseries and from our home plant, we have the finest, most complete and best assorted line of general stock we have ever grown—every tree and shrub a model of its class and kind—every tree and shrub with our reputation of 84 years behind it. Briefly and for the purpose of showing planters and prospective planters our preparedness to handle their orders to their utmost satisfaction we quote below a partial list of varieties and sorts which go to make up the stock. In this list no effort has been made to make it complete; we simply mention a few leading sorts under each variety although we are carrying every sort that is worthy of propagation and planting.

APPLE

While we have reports from other nurserymen that apple trees are scarce with them (most nurserymen exhausted by their fall trade) the opposite condition is true of us—we have an unusually large stock of all leading sorts, and are especially strong on the unexcelled 1-yr., trees, which have been proven by orchardists everywhere to be the best foundation for the ideal commercial or home orchard. Quality in our apple trees is of the very finest—large, straight, well rooted, handsome trees; the best that money and the most improved methods in nursery science can produce. In addition to regular and well-known sorts our stock includes such leaders as: Delicious, (1,250,000 trees, 1 and 2 year) King David, Champion, Senator, Black Ben, Giant Jonathon, Stayman Winesap, Spitzenburg, Newtown Pippin, Banana, Liveland Raspberry, Henry Clay, etc. Write for our price list before buying.

PEAR

At our Fayetteville, Perry, Dansville, Starkdale and Rockport branch nurseries we find ideal conditions for the best and healthiest growth of pear trees, and this year have a stock complete in its assortment in both standard and dwarf and of the highest possible quality. All usual and well-known sorts are of course included with such leaders as Fame, Comice, Anjou, King Karl, Triumph, Lincoln, Riehl's Best, Duchess, Bartlett, etc., etc. You should plant Stark Pear Trees. They are always best.

CHERRY

The cherry is the most neglected of all important fruits which succeeds in the U. S. and Canada. The cherry is a delicious and refreshing fruit and should be more widely planted than at present. It is always in demand and in most localities there are not enough grown to supply home demand. There is no doubt that if cherries were sold at reasonable prices, they would be as popular to eat out of hand as they are in Europe. A revival of interest in cherry culture is sure to take place at no far distant date which offers one of the best fields for fruit growing known." Extract from a special report of the American Pomological Society.

The foregoing report is true, every word of it—the cherry should be planted more largely than it has been up to this time. With Stark Cherry Trees in your orchard, you will find a source of quick profit and lasting revenue. Our cherry trees are grown principally at our plants at Louisiana, Starkdale, Rockport, Perry, and Dansville and are largely composed of Terry Early, Dyehouse, Early Richmond, Timme, Black Tartarian, the Montmorencys, Bing, Lambert, Royal Ann, Napoleon, Wragg, etc. Better cherry trees than Stark Trees cannot be produced. Insist on Stark Trees and get them.

& ORCHARDS COMPANY

LOUISIANA, MISSOURI, U. S. A.

Get in touch with our Special Service Dept., maintained especially to help orchardists, and to increase the planting of better varieties. The service of this department is given without charge of any kind. Use it—it will pay you to do so.

PEACH

No orchard, especially the home orchard, is complete without enough peach trees to furnish this ideal fruit for the table, from the earliest ripening sort to the very latest. Stark Peach Trees are the kind you should have—Stark sorts are always up-to-date. Our stock of peach trees contains all of regular and well-known sorts, but we have an especially large stock of fine, healthy trees in the newer and higher quality sorts; such as Mayflower, Red Bird Cling, Early Mamie Ross, Alton, Unecda Cling, Champion, Worth, Early Elberta, Illinois, Elberta Cling, Muir, Crawford, Lovell, Mam. Heath Cling, Krummel October, etc.

GRAPE

Grown principally in our Portland nursery which is in the very center of the Chautauqua grape belt of N. Y., our grape vines are without equal; better vines, with stronger or more perfect root systems were never seen. Fruit growers have been neglecting the grape as a source of revenue—it is one of the most profitable fruit crops known. Stark grape vines this year are not only of the highest quality but we have them in large quantities. The demand being heavy, however, we advise early buying to insure getting the cream of the stock. Eclipse, Moore Early, Lutie, Brighton, Diamond, Worden, King, Hicks, Concord, Lindley, Niagara, Wilder, Banner, Norton, Cynthia, White Muscat, Flame, Tokay, Black Cornishon, Mission, etc., are the leaders and a selection from which cannot fail to please. Our stock of all other varieties not mentioned here is complete. Stark grape vines have been so universally liked for their quality, magnificent root system, etc., that you will do well to write us for price list and information as to best varieties for your locality before buying elsewhere.



A View of our Grape Nursery at Portland, N. Y.

CURRANT, GOOSEBERRY, BLACKBERRY, ETC.

In these small berry fruits which are grown in our Dansville, Portland and other branch nurseries favorable to their growth, we have to offer every variety which is worthy of planting. We are also completely supplied with Ornamentals, Privet Hedge, Roses, etc. Send us your list of requirements in this line of stock.

In the world's greatest apple market, Chicago, where quality is known and demanded, Stark Delicious is now selling at

50% MORE

than the heretofore quality leaders, Jonathan, Grimes Golden, Rome Beauty, Alexander, etc. Here's the **proof**. Read it:

"Last year we secured 1 carload of Delicious from Washington and sold them in Chicago and large Eastern cities at 40% more than other varieties we were handling. Whoever had them, have repeatedly asked for them this year before our supply arrived. We are selling Delicious this year at 50% MORE than Jonathan, Grimes Golden, Rome Beauty, Alexander, etc. We have found Delicious to be just what particular people want in a fine table apple, it being neither too sweet nor too sour, a fine looker, and has good keeping qualities. Delicious should head the list of all fine apples. We wish we could get more, for we feel positive the demand will increase more rapidly than the supply."—H. WOODS CO., Commission Merchants, Chicago., C. W. Wilmeroth, Treasurer.

Could stronger, more convincing evidence of complete superiority be given? We believe not, because the selling price of his fruit is what every orchardist must carefully consider when selecting varieties. Those that always top the markets; are hardy, good croppers and young and prolific bearers are the ones which will, the quickest, return with profit, the money invested. If you believe all this—and of course you do,—then plant

STARK DELICIOUS APPLE

"The apple with a known Past, a great Present and a greater Future"

because it has all of these good qualities. The best evidence of this claim is a letter written us by the originator, the late Mr. Jesse Hiatt, of Madison County, Iowa.

This is what he says:—

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A 7 year old Stark Delicious tree in the Bailey Orchard, Chelan County, Wash., 100 of these 7 year trees turned \$2000.00 to the owner this year.

We want every orchardist to know Delicious, for if he knows it—if he has seen and tasted it, he will be a ready and willing buyer of the trees; therefore to accomplish this end we have secured from Stark orchards in the famous Wenatchee (Wash.) and Hood River (Oregon) Valleys, 3 full carloads (90,000 pounds) of this fruit and we are now sending out specimens. These specimens, (3 apples in a box), will be sent on request absolutely without charge for the fruit. We simply ask you to pay the transportation charges, usually 25 to 40 cents. Keep the receipt you get from the express company and we will accept it as that much cash on the first order of trees you send in. In this way the apples cost you nothing. In ordering use the coupon below. Fill it out and send to us today.

"Received Delicious apples by express and ate one. This apple is a surprise to me. 'The proof of the pudding is in the eating.' There are thousands of acres of poor varieties set out in this Valley and they will find it out a few years hence. I shall certainly plant Delicious trees."—A. R. Teeple, Chaves Co., N. M.

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Name

Post Office.....County.....

State.....Express Office.....

By which express shall we ship?.....

I expect to plant.....fruit trees about.....190...

and would like to receive your latest catalog and other literature.

Another Famous Stark Variety

King David Apple

In addition to Delicious we are concentrating on, and urging the planting of, Stark King David—another quality king of the apple family. Those most enthusiastic about Delicious are equally strong in their praise of King David and while it has not yet been planted as generally as Delicious, it will, in a very short time, be on all markets and quoted in a class, of which King David and Delicious will be the only members.

King David was introduced by us in 1903, the original tree and exclusive right to the variety costing us \$1000.00 and is probably a cross between Jonathan & Ark. Black. It is one of the most beautiful apples grown; in size is medium to large, resembling Jonathan though larger; coloring a deeper, darker, richer red



A three year old Stark King David tree, bearing its second crop, in the orchard of John Bennett, San Diego, Co., California.

than Jonathan. In quality it surpasses Jonathan, Grimes, Spitzenburg, and other heretofore quality leaders. Add to this unquestioned quality the facts that the tree is hardy, a strong and vigorous grower, and a young and prolific bearer, and you have an apple with the qualifications to assure its widespread planting commercially and for the home orchard.

Read these opinions of King David—

Col. G. B. Brackett, U. S. Pomologist.

"I think you have found a valuable acquisition to our already long list of valuable varieties." Later—"My ideal apple."

"I have King David that knock the spots off of your plate made last year. Some of them measure 11 1/2 inches in circumference; hang as well as old Winesap. Very few of them have fallen and we have had heavy wind-storms this summer. They were grown without irrigation and this has been one of the most trying years we have ever had since I came here; no rain for months and very hot weather part of the time. Both tree and fruit have done fine."—G. T. Goundrey, Douglas Co., Wash.

"King David is a beautiful apple, hangs on the tree equal to Ben Davis and just as productive. It is the best apple you have for these parts. I picked three boxes of King David from one scion this season. Have heard nothing but King David all season, have had 52 parties at my place to see this variety." Later—"King David is proving a wonder—the most beautiful apple grown. Can't help but sell everywhere and ahead of all others."—F. Dando, Chelan Co., Wash.

King David is surely a fine looking apple, good size, fine color. A grower here went East a short time ago, took several specimens with him and writes back he could have sold bushels at 10 cents each.—I. E. Alexander, Chelan Co., Wash.

Two apples grew on a graft set last March. They are perfect and show what King David can do in California. I have a few fine specimens from other top grafts. —Frank Femmons, Madera Co., California.

We urge orchardists not to plant inferior varieties. Plant only the best of the very best—only such varieties as will make your fruit sell at far higher prices than that of the man who plants out-of-date varieties, as Ben Davis, Gano, Mo. Pippin, etc.

You CAN'T go wrong on King David and Delicious.

Send us the coupon for the fruit at once and ask for our catalog. It contains valuable information and you should have it. Address

Stark Brothers Nurseries & Orchards Company
Lock Box Number 10 C Louisiana Missouri U. S. A.